imported by Petronet LNG Limited (PLL) was around 8.78 MMSCMD in 2004-05 which is around 5% of total estimated demand in the country.

Production of petroleum products from new reserves

†903. PROF. R.B.S. VARMA:
SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that petroleum and natural gas reserves have been found in the country recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the quantity of petroleum products produced so far from petroleum and natural gas reserves explored during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) to (c) Oil and natural gas reserve accretion in 2004-05 was 217.54 Million Metric Tonnes. The discoveries made in the last 3 years are under appraisal except one block CB-ONN-2000/2, from where gas production upto June, 2005 was 118.62 Million Metric Standard Cubic Metres.

National Bio-fuel Policy

†904. DR. CHHATTRAPAL SINGH LODHA:
PROF. R.B.S. VARMA:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have received proposal for formulating National Bio-fuel Policy;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government are going to consider this proposal; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) to (d) The Planning Commission had set up a

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Committee on the Development of Bio-Fuel which recommended the launching of a National Mission on Bio-diesel with special focus on the plantation of Jatropha Curcus. For implementing the proposed National Mission on Bio-diesel, the Ministry of Rural Development has been made the nodal Ministry. That Ministry has had a Detailed Project Report prepared by The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI). The report has been submitted by the Ministry of Rural Development to the Planning Commission for their approval.

Component of retail price of petrol and diesel

905. SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ:
SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether further enhancement in the prices of petrol and diesel has been effected from 21st June, 2005;

(b) the details of the enhancement of prices of petrol, diesel and LPG effected from time to time since May, 2004 on each occasion showing separately the changes in the component of duties and taxes therein;

(c) the total of Customs Duty, Excise Duty and Sales Tax components in the current retail selling prices of petrol and diesel respectively both in absolute term and percentage; and

(d) the reasons for the latest enhancement of the prices?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The revision in the prices of petrol, diesel and LPG in Delhi effected since May 2004, including to component of tax/duties, is in the Statement -I (*See* below).

(c) The current price build-up for petrol and diesel in Delhi is given in the Statement-II (*See* below).

(d) Considering the impact of spiraling international oil prices, changes in the duty structure and quality upgradation of fuels, the Government, keeping in view the interests of consumers, have limited the increase in